## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 207

## By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Laura Boyd, the 2020–2021 Franklin Special School District Middle School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Laura Boyd is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, a Spanish teacher at Poplar Grove Middle School, Ms. Boyd was recently named the 2020–2021 Franklin Special School District Middle School Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor for her tenure as an educator, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Laura Boyd has stepped up and led the way in remote learning in her district, drawing on her previous experiences teaching remotely to ensure both students and colleagues had a smooth transition into the new learning environment; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Boyd also shared her expertise through her Twitter account, which formerly featured classroom happenings and now serves as a vehicle to share advice, tips, and materials to assist teachers with incorporating different forms of ed-tech and engagement tools in the virtual classroom; and

WHEREAS, Laura Boyd is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who has worked assiduously throughout her career in education to motivate her students, fellow teachers, and staff to reach their full potential as scholars, professionals, and citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Boyd truly serves as an inspiration to the faculty and staff at Poplar Grove Middle School, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Laura Boyd epitomizes the dedicated educator who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Laura Boyd on being chosen as the 2020–2021 Franklin Special School District Middle School Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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